

leadership, Donald has been a public servant both his colleagues and constituents could rely upon.

Donald's dedication to service extends to his professional endeavors as well. For over 15 years, he has worked in Central Texas as a human resource management and workforce education professional, where he has led community- and state-wide skills development initiatives focused on training workers in high-growth, high-opportunity industry clusters. He currently works for Austin Community College, where he serves as Director of Business Operations and Marketing in the Continuing Education Division. Donald's doctoral work will directly support his critical efforts to develop certification programs for adults who want to transition into new jobs.

Donald Tracy's extraordinary commitment to service reflects the best values of Central Texas. There's no doubt that Cedar Park is a better place because of him. I heartily salute his work and wish him the best of luck in all his new endeavors.

TRIBUTE TO MAYOR SARA
KUROVSKI

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 29, 2015

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Sara Kurovski, Mayor of Pleasant Hill, for being named the 2015 Meredith Woman of Influence honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, the Des Moines Business Record.

Since 2000, the Des Moines Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a group of standout female leaders in the Greater Des Moines Area that are making an impact in their communities either personally or professionally, forging a path for other women to follow. The women given this prestigious award are individuals who have selflessly dedicated their time and proven their leadership abilities across a variety of professional fields.

Mayor Kurovski's passion for public service began when she attended Drake University and received her Master's degree in public administration. Since graduation she has dedicated her time and talents to serving others and improving her community.

Elected in 2013 as Mayor of Pleasant Hill, she has worked tirelessly to improve her community. Mayor Kurovski initially was involved in a number of boards for the city of Pleasant Hill, where her passion for public service and improving the lives of others grew. But running the city of Pleasant Hill is only one aspect of her life, and her work does not stop there. She also works for Iowa based Kum & Go as their manager of sustainability. I admire her dedication to the State of Iowa and believe it is hard working people like Mayor Kurovski that will lead our future generations.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Mayor Kurovski in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud her for utilizing her talents to better the State of Iowa. I invite my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in congratulating her on receiving this esteemed

designation, and wishing her the best of luck in all her future endeavors.

CONGRATULATING CONGRESSMAN
KEN HECHLER AND CAROL
HECHLER

HON. ALEXANDER X. MOONEY

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 29, 2015

Mr. MOONEY of West Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate Congressman Ken Hechler and Carol Hechler on reaffirming their commitment to each other in their marriage on August 8th. Congressman Hechler has honorably served the amazing state of West Virginia for over fifty years, first as a combat historian in the United States Army during World War II, then as the Representative of the 4th district and as West Virginia's Secretary of State. I am overjoyed that Congressman Hechler has decided to honor and uphold the sacred institution of marriage with his wife, Carol.

I join with their families, friends, and loved ones in congratulating Congressman Hechler and his wife Carol on this momentous occasion. I wish the reaffirmed couple the best of luck, and long, happy lives together.

IN RECOGNITION OF DR. CHAD
AUDI'S SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 29, 2015

Mrs. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. Chad Audi's years of service to our community and the State of Michigan.

The Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries started as a soup kitchen in 1909. It had a reputation for serving hot meals, providing canned goods, and other necessities to feed many people who had so little. Today, they offer numerous services including substance abuse treatment, transitional and permanent housing, job preparation, and educational courses. Starting as a volunteer in 1994, Dr. Audi has worked tirelessly to transform this organization.

After 10 years of service, Dr. Audi became the President and CEO of the Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries in 2004. Since then, he has helped to make this community institution into the largest rescue mission in the United States. The resources they offer to women, children, senior citizens, and veterans, have made the Detroit Metropolitan Area a better place to work and live. Dr. Audi's tenure and contributions reflect his passion for service, his commitment to his community, and his calling to improve the lives of others. Dr. Audi deserves our utmost respect and admiration and this world would be a better place with more people like him.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the work of Dr. Chad Audi and the strength he has given to the Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries.

IN RECOGNITION OF MS. ALEXIS
JOY MARIE HAYES

HON. DAVID G. VALADAO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 29, 2015

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to thank Alexis Joy Marie Hayes for her service to my office and to the people of the 21st Congressional District of California.

Alexis Hayes was born and raised in Visalia, California to Mr. and Mrs. James and Kristin Hayes on February 5, 1994. Six years later, in 1999, Alexis was blessed with the birth of her sister, Riley Hayes.

Ms. Hayes attended Mountain View Elementary and Divisadero Middle School prior to attending Mt. Whitney High School, where she graduated in 2012. Following high school, Alexis began her general studies at the College of the Sequoias in Visalia, California. While in school, Ms. Hayes served as the President of the local College Republicans Chapter.

Since high school, Ms. Hayes has been an active member of her community. From an early age, she has demonstrated a strong interest in politics and an unwavering commitment to public service.

She has held positions as Office Manager for Valadao for Congress, Intern for Congressman DEVIN NUNES, and most recently, as a Constituent Services Representative in my Hanford, California office.

Friday, July 31, 2015, will be Ms. Hayes last day as a member of my staff. In August, Ms. Hayes will begin attending the University of California, Berkeley. While I am proud of her academic achievements, she will be greatly missed as a member of my team.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in commending Alexis Hayes for her public service to the people of the Central Valley and wishing her well as she begins the next chapter of her life.

TRIBUTE TO WORLD WAR II
VETERAN CARL CRISP

HON. LUKE MESSER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 29, 2015

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the service of a remarkable war hero from Indiana's 6th Congressional District—World War II Veteran, Carl Crisp.

Carl honorably served in the United States Army Air Corps from 1943 to 1945. He flew numerous missions with the allied forces throughout the Ardennes and played a critical role in liberating France from Nazi occupation.

It's been a long time coming, but on Saturday, August 1, 2015, Carl will be presented the French Legion of Honor Medal during a ceremony at the Henry County Historical Society Museum. This distinguished honor is given only to those who have served France or the ideals it upholds, and Carl's service in World War II makes him more than deserving.

I congratulate Carl on this recognition and thank him for his service on behalf of our great nation. The entire free world owes him a debt of gratitude that can never be repaid.